

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION
MEDICAID OFFICE
Description of Professional Medical Personnel

Long Term Care Section

* **Registered Nursing Consultant (three positions):** Plans, coordinates and directs activities for the medical review functions and out-of-state prior authorizations. Develops program policies and procedures for home health agencies, hospices, and level of care criteria for intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled and nursing facilities. Responsible for all prior authorization functions for the pressure ulcer therapy program.

Non-Institutional Section

* **Registered Nurse Consultant:** Develops and assesses program policies and procedures for podiatry services, therapy services, prescribed pediatric extended care centers, medical foster care, and the multiple handicapped assessment team; provides technical assistance to area staff and other agency staff.

Maternal and Child Health Section

* **Registered Nursing Consultants (three positions):** Coordinates and directs the development and preparation of program policies, handbooks, and administrative rules for physician services, regional perinatal intensive care centers, advanced registered nurse practitioners, family planning, birthing centers, rural health centers, federally qualified health care centers, county public health units, Medicaid clinical services, and organ transplantation. Coordinates Healthy Start issues related to Medicaid. Provides technical assistance to area Medicaid offices.

Administrative and Medicaid Services Section

* **Registered Nursing Consultant:** Coordinates and directs the development and preparation of program policies, handbooks, and administrative rules for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment program (EPSDT).

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Pharmacy Section

* **Senior Pharmacist (thirteen positions):** Professional staff for review and processing of prior authorization requests, changes in coverage policy, and coordination of drug utilization review activities. Additional duties include analysis of utilization data for development of rebate agreements with manufacturers, negotiation with manufacturers and monitoring of prior authorization, DUR and rebate agreements impact on the prescribed drug program.

* **Pharmaceutical Program Manager (three positions):** Supervises professional and clerical staff, coordinates development of changes in coverage policy, responds to inquiries and program change notices from the Health Care Financing Administration, develops administrative rule revisions, and insures appropriate functioning of the prior authorization, drug utilization review and enhanced rebate programs.

Office of Program Integrity (Under supervision of the Agency for Health Care Administration's Inspector General's office)

* **Pharmaceutical Program Manager:** Supervises professional staff and coordinates functions of the medical records review program for fraud and abuse investigations.

* **Senior Pharmacist (four positions):** Professional staff for medical records review activities.

* **Registered Nursing Consultant (thirteen positions):** Plans, coordinates and directs activities for medical records review functions for use in fraud and abuse investigations.

Medicaid Area Offices:

* **Registered Nurse Specialist (30.5 positions):** Plans, coordinates and directs activities for the medical review functions and requests for service authorizations relating to EPSDT services for children under 21 years of age.

* **Clerk Typist Specialist (3 positions):** Provides typing assistance for Registered Nurse Specialists.

* **Word Processing Systems Operator:** Provides word processing support for Registered Nurse Specialists.

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